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REPLY TO OFFICE COMMUNICATION

In reply to the Examiner's Communication mailed June 4, 2002, Applicants elect poly(ethylene glycol) dithiol and poly(ethylene glycol) tetraacrylate as the specific components.

Applicants decline the invitation to amend the claims at this time.

If there are any charges, or any credits, please apply them to Deposit Account No. 03-2095.

Respectfully submitted,

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